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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Mail Stop: Amendment

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office action mailed January 16, 2007, to which the time for response is set to expire April 16, 2007. Claims 9-17 were withdrawn from consideration and claims 18-23 were rejected. Reconsideration and entry of the following amendment(s) are respectfully requested.

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.
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